

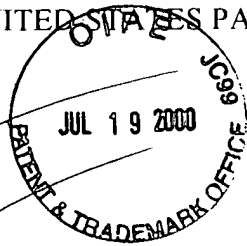
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Koichi ISHIGURO et al.

Serial No. 09/142,613

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Docket No. 01416/OP551-PC-US

Group Art Unit 1645

Examiner S. Turner

ANTI-PHOSPHORYLATED TAU PROTEIN :
ANTIBODIES AND METHODS FOR DETECTING
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE WITH THE USE OF THE SAME

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated June 21, 2000, Applicants hereby provisionally elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-6.

Applicants also provisionally elect, in species a, phosphorylation site 199 and in species b, SEQ ID No: 2.

Claim 7, directed to non-elected subject matter, remain in the application. It is requested that it be permitted to remain in a dormant condition pending rejoinder or the filing of a divisional application. Applicant wish to note that claim 7 is eligible for rejoinder upon allowance of the antibodies claims.

The Examiner accordingly is requested to proceed with an examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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